

34th Annual Meeting of the Western Field Ornithologists
Boise, Idaho • 10–13 September 2009

Science Program

11 and 12 September 2009 • Oxford Suites

Schedule of Scientific Presentations and Panels

Friday, 11 September 2009

Morning Session – East Room

- 10:30–10:35. Introduction and Announcements, Debbie Van Dooremolen and Cat Waters.
10:35–10:55. TROST, CHARLES H. **A short history of field ornithology in Idaho.**
11:00–12:00. Current Trends and Future Directions in Western Field Ornithology Panel, moderator Ted Floyd.

Afternoon Session – East Room

- 1:00–1:15. TROST, CHARLES, SHIRLEY STURTS, JAY CARLISLE, DARREN CLARK, LISA HARDY, HARRY KRUEGER, STACY PETERSON, CHARLES SWIFT, DAVE TROCHLELL, DOUG WARD, and CLIFF WEISSE. **History and recent activity of the Idaho Bird Records Committee.**
- 1:15–1:30. CARLISLE, JAY D. **Comparison of autumn stopover ecology between two stopover sites in southern Idaho.**
- 1:30–1:45. KALTENECKER, GREGORY S., JAY D. CARLISLE, and MARC J. BECHARD. **Fifteen years of raptor banding during fall migration in southwest Idaho.**
- 1:45–2:00. STUBER, MATTHEW J., JACK M. STENGER, and JAY D. CARLISLE. **Flammulated Owl survey results from three study areas in southern Idaho in 2009.**
- 2:00–2:15. TROST, CHARLES H. **Primogeniture and competition in young male Black-billed Magpies.**
- 2:15–2:30. **Break.**
- 2:30–2:45. OWEN, DANA and JULIE HEATH. **The effects of investigator disturbance on American Kestrels: A study of incubation behavior and nesting success.**
- 2:45–3:00. STRASSER, ERIN H., JULIE A. HEATH, LINA BARDO, and DAVID M. BIRD. **A proposed method to index size and body condition in American Kestrels.**
- 3:00–3:15. BOUSMAN, WILLIAM. **Understanding temporal bird distributions using cumulative statistics.**
- 3:15–3:30. BLAKESLEY, JENNIFER A. and DAVID J. HANNI. **Monitoring bird populations using distance, removal and occupancy modeling of point count data.**
- 3:30–4:00. **Break.**
- 4:00–5:30. Photo Identification Panel, moderator Ed Harper.

Saturday, 12 September 2009

Afternoon Session – East Room

- 12:30–12:35. Introduction and Announcements, Debbie Van Dooremolen and Cat Waters.
- 12:35–12:50. MALEC, MARY and CHERYL ELMORE. **Off-season observations of a Peregrine Falcon nesting territory reveal a series of falcons occupying the territory in the absence of the resident falcon.**
- 12:50–1:05. HAZEN, KELLY. **Eleven years of reading arctic white geese neck collars in eastern Oregon.**
- 1:05–1:20. GILL, ROBERT, LEE TIBBITTS, DAN RUTHRAUFF, CHRIS HARWOOD, DAN MULCAHY, SARAH WARNOCK, NATHAN SENNER, and NILS WARNOCK. **Southward migration of Whimbrels from Alaska: Another leisurely flight across the northeast Pacific Ocean.**
- 1:20–1:35. FLOYD, TED. **Nocturnal land bird migration over eastern Boulder County, Colorado, July–November 2007–2009.**
- 1:35–1:50. FROELICH, DANIEL and PAUL TAILLIE. **Moist meadows support molting passerines in August in Washington’s Cascade Mountains.**
- 1:50–2:05. KRUEPER, DAVID and CAROL BEARDMORE. **Population trends of nightjars in the West: Surveys and a call to action.**
- 2:05–2:20. **Break.**
- 2:20–2:35. HINOJOSA-HUERTA, OSVEL, EDWARD P. GLENN, PAMELA L. NAGLER, and KAMEL DIDAN. **The effect of drought on birds and riparian vegetation along the Colorado River, Mexico.**
- 2:35–2:50. GONZÁLEZ-BERNAL, MARCO ANTONIO, JOSÉ ALFREDO CASTILLO-GUERRERO, GUILLERMO FERNÁNDEZ-ACEVES, MARIO CASTRO LEAL, and OSVEL HINOJOSA-HUERTA. **Distribution, abundance, and breeding status of the Mexican Duck in coastal Sonora and Sinaloa, Mexico.**
- 2:50–3:05. BEARDMORE, CAROL and DAVID KRUEPER. **A summary of the distribution and status of the Sierra Madre Sparrow in Durango and Distrito Federal, Mexico.**
- 3:05–3:20. Special Announcement on the WFO Field Expedition to the Sierra de Alamos y Río Cuchujaqui Biosphere Reserve, Carol Beardmore.
- 3:20–4:00. **Break.**
- 4:00–5:30. Sound Identification Panel, moderator Nathan Pieplow.

Banquet and Evening Program – Idaho Room

- 6:45–10:00. Keynote Address by Dr. Craig Benkman. **The South Hills Crossbill: Its origin and prospects.**